

**Education Committee**

**March 7, 2011**

**S.B. No. 1106 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT.**

Dear Education Committee Members

My name is Janet Cruz, and I'm a home based child care provider in Bridgeport. Please support S.B No. 1106, as it would give providers like me a voice with respect to making improvements to the system. The Care4Kids process as it stands now is very difficult to navigate, but I truly feel that if providers were given a voice- they could help change it and make it better for everyone. And if the system was improved, more providers would be willing to take on subsidized kids- thus giving parents more choices and improving quality care. Our children are the future of this state, and helping them get access to quality settings from the beginning would start them off on the right foot to becoming productive citizens. Please support S.B. No. 1106.

Sincerely,

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